

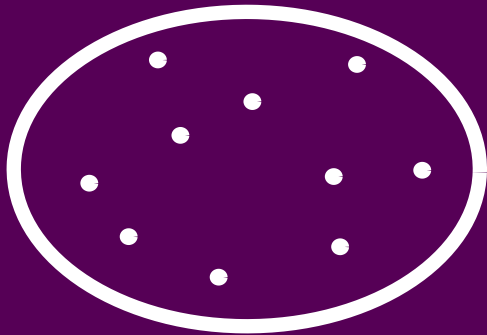
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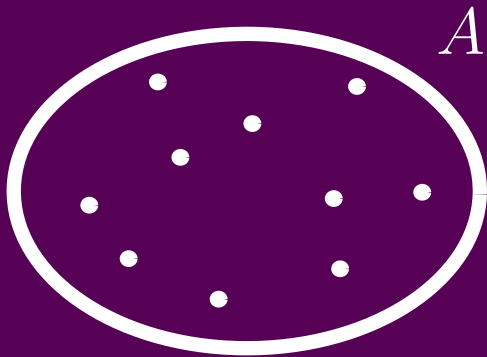
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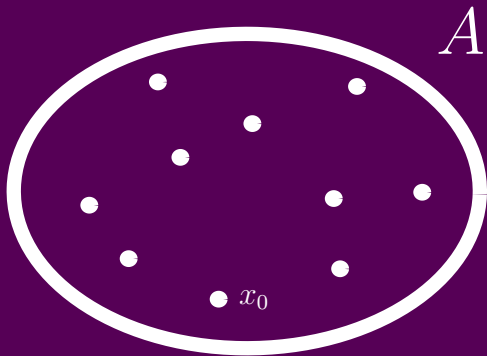


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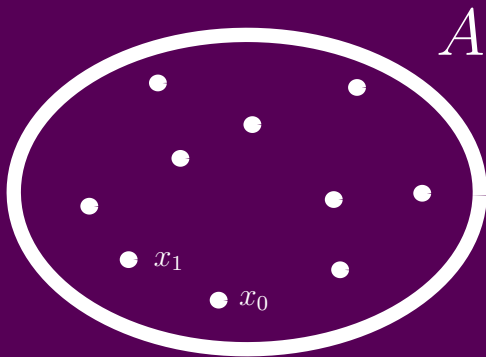
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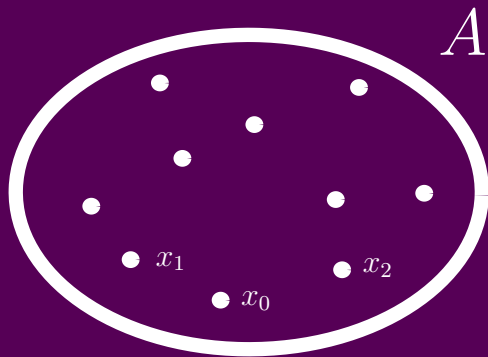


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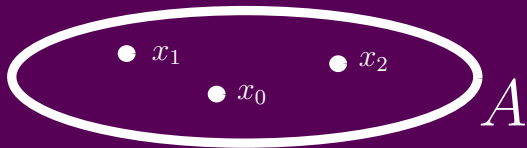


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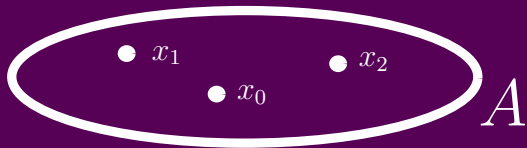


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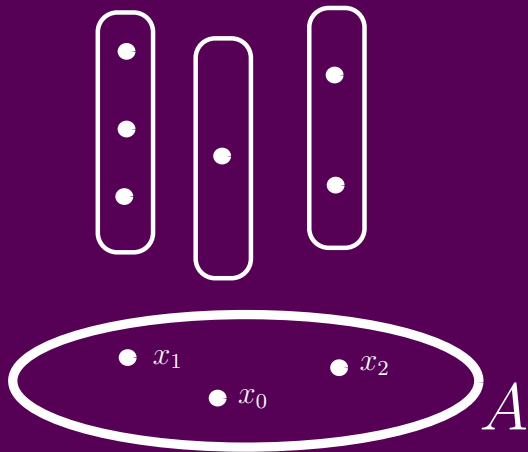
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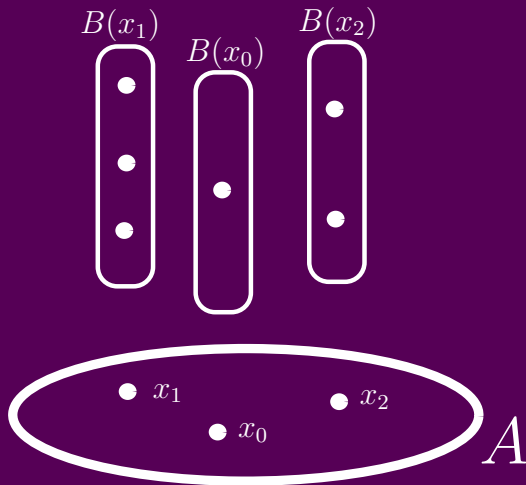


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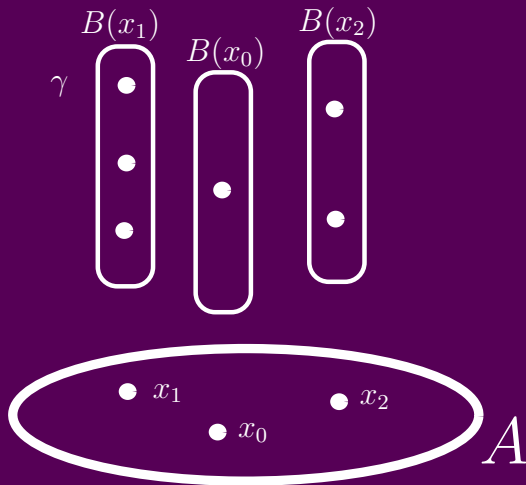


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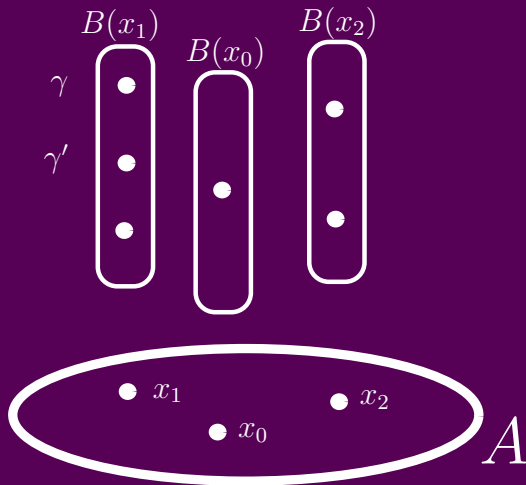
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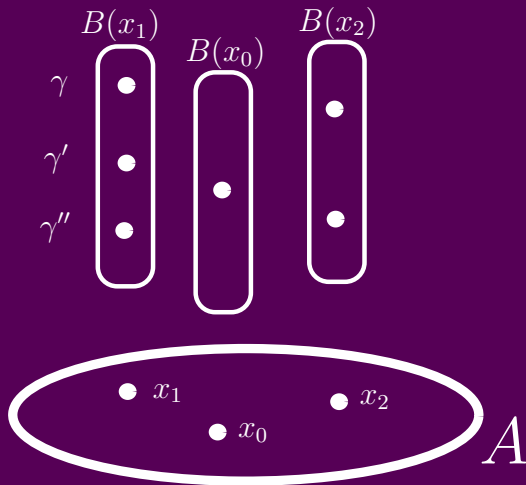
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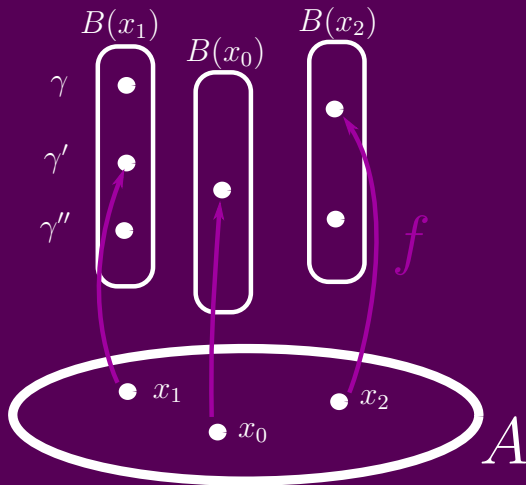
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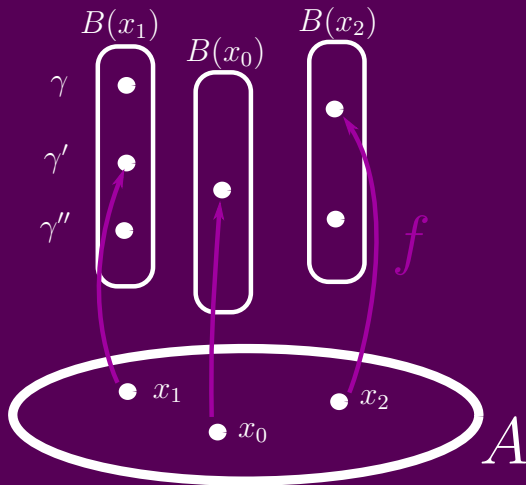
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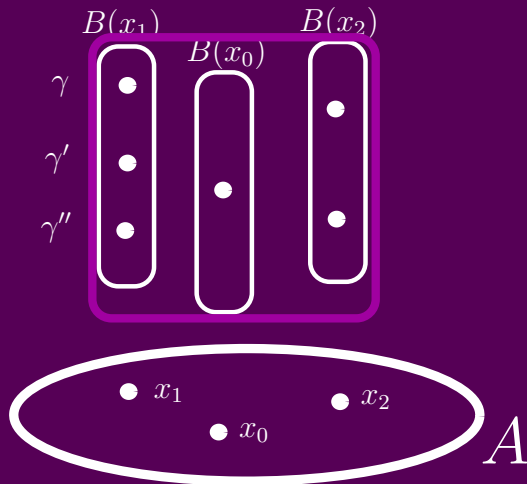
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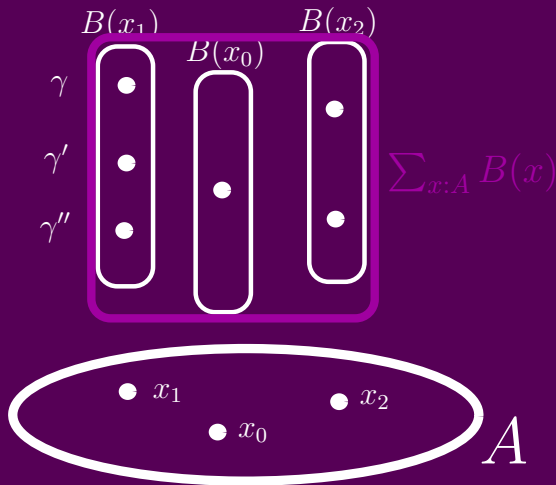
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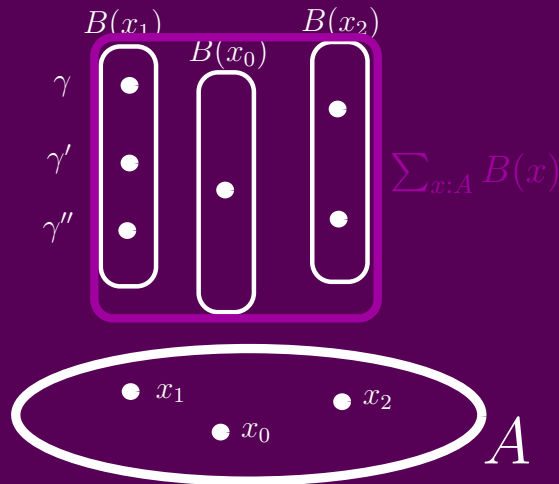
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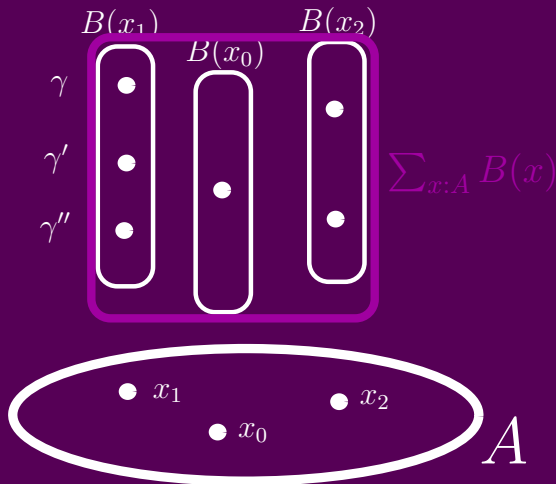
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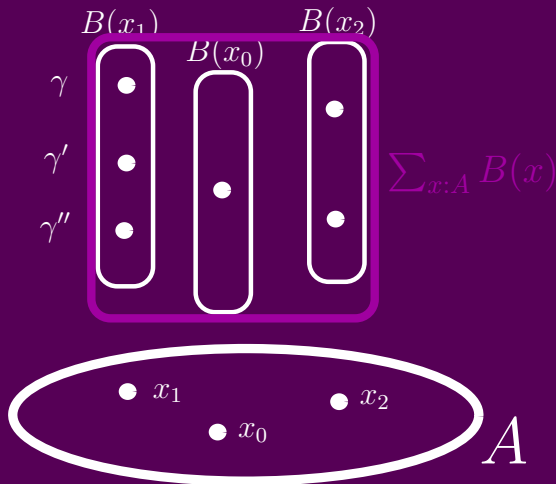
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## Also in HoTT

- Unit type,  $\mathbb{1}$
- Empty type,  $\mathbb{0}$
- $\neg A \equiv (A \rightarrow \mathbb{0})$
- Boolean type,  $\mathbb{2}$
- Natural numbers type,  $\mathbb{N}$
- Integers type,  $\mathbb{Z}$
- Product types, sum types, function types, ...
- Inductive types

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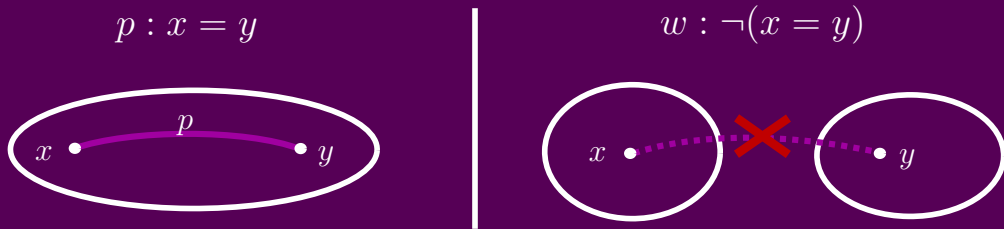
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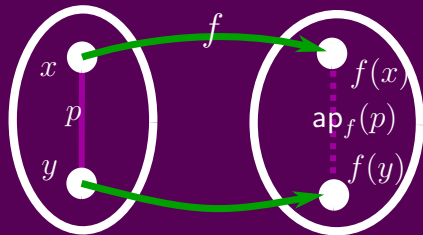
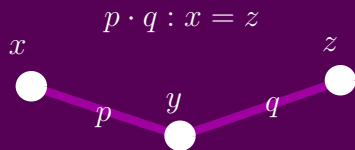
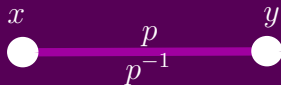
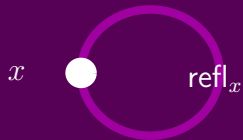
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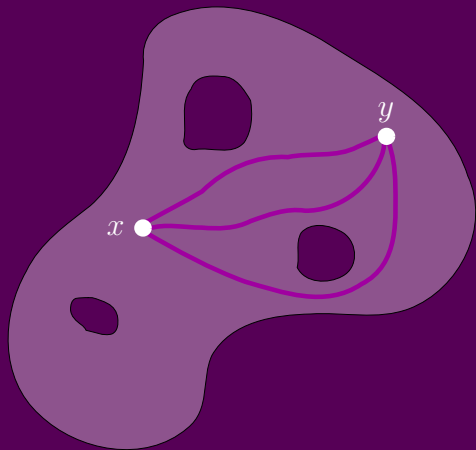


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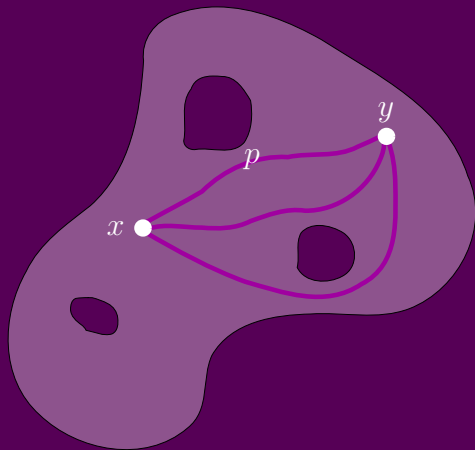
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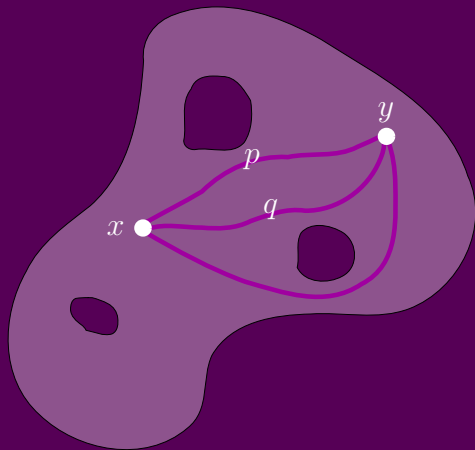
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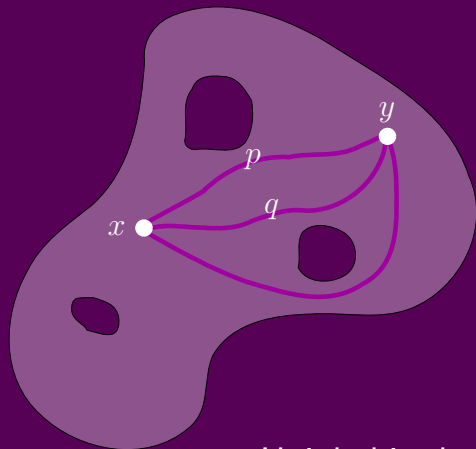
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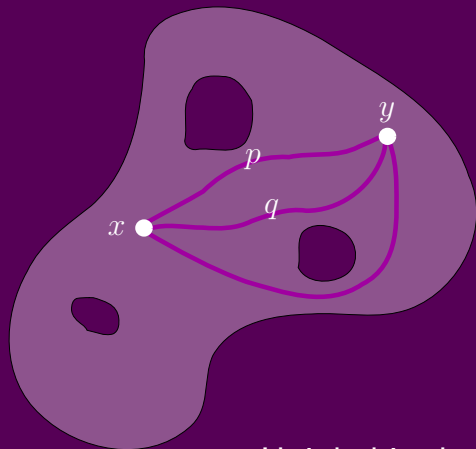


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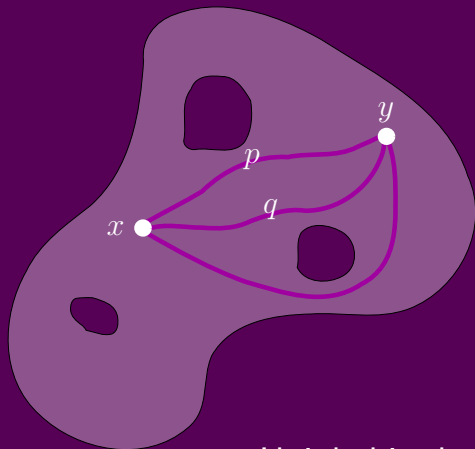
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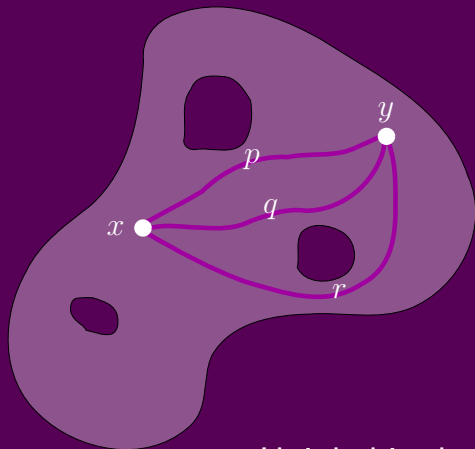
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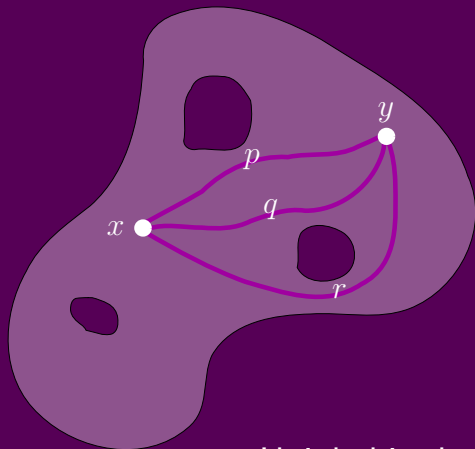
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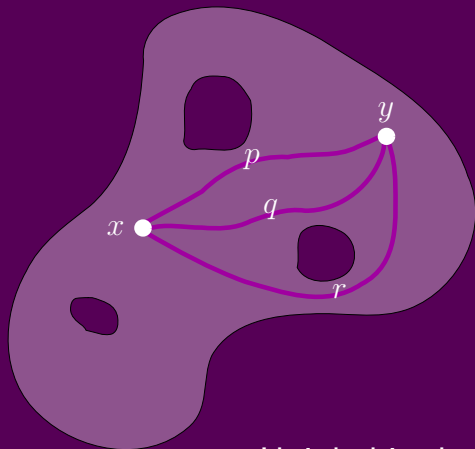
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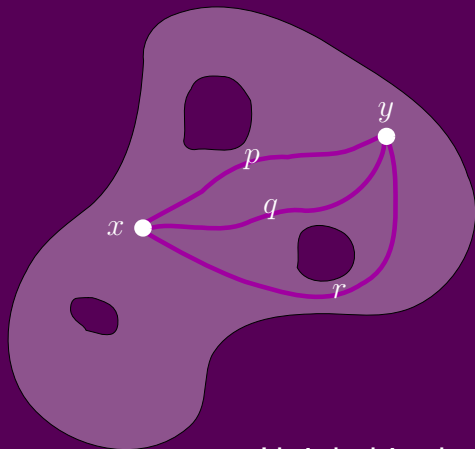
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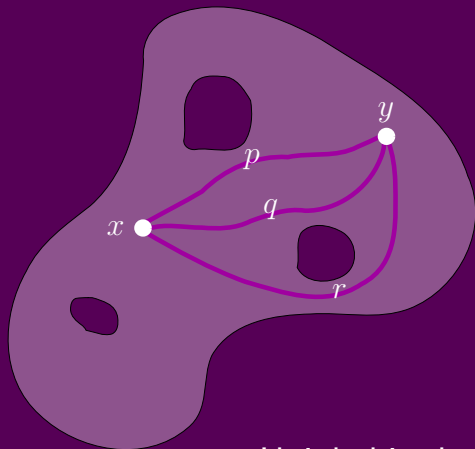
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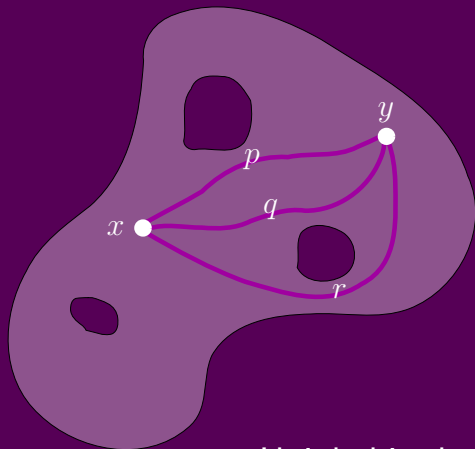
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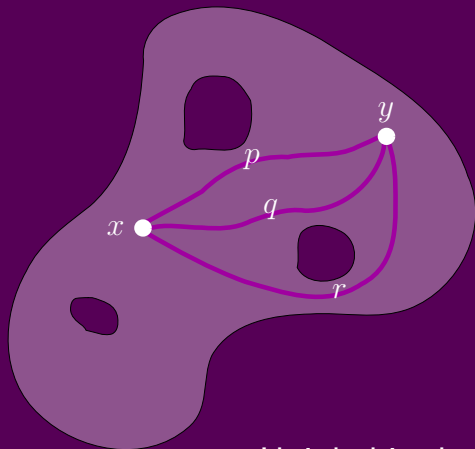
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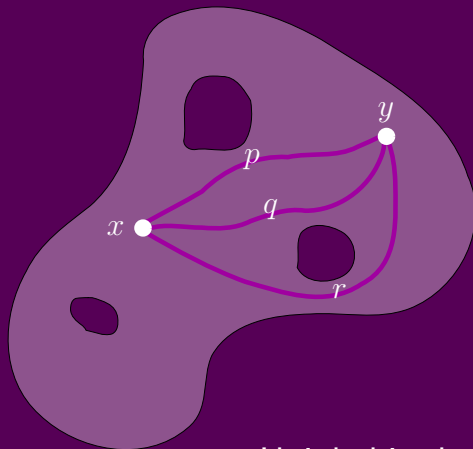


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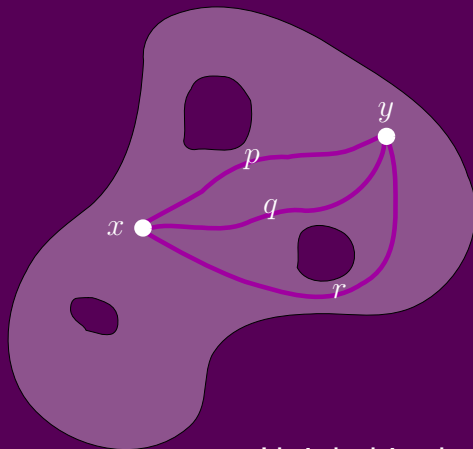
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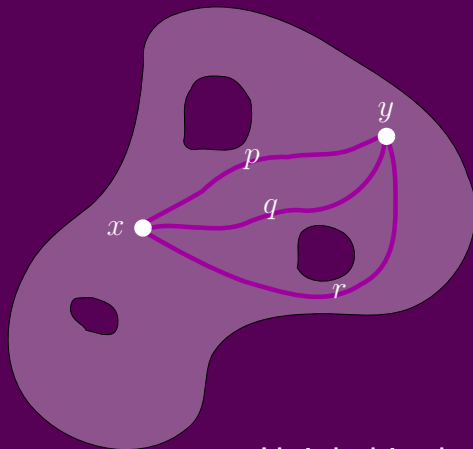
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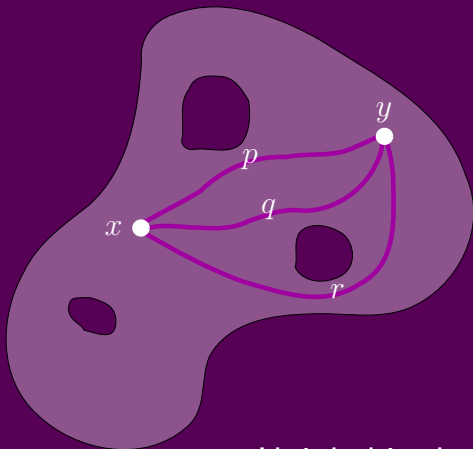
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**Thm.\*** If  $X : \mathsf{Type}$  satisfies Axiom K, then there is a term of type

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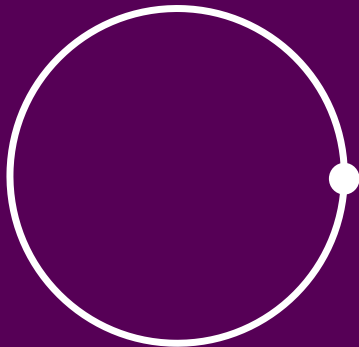
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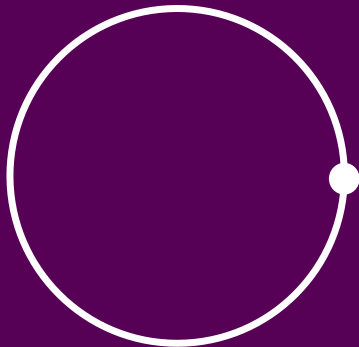


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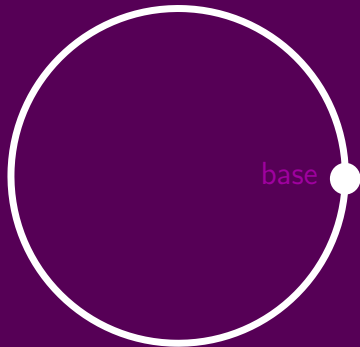
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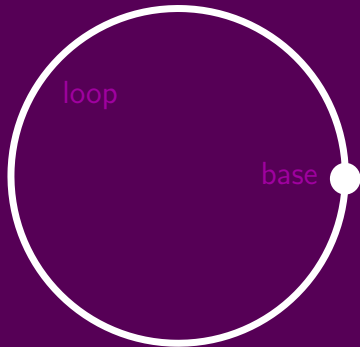
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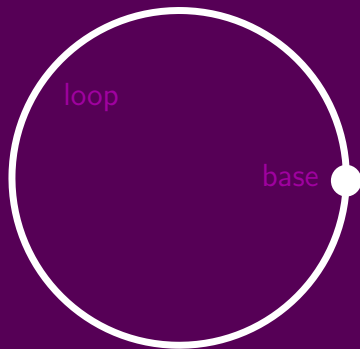
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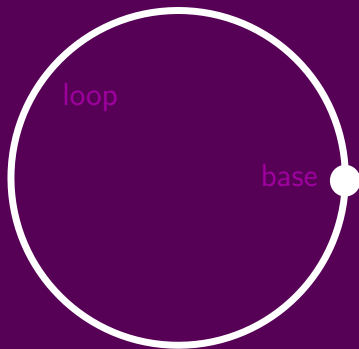
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Thank you!

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